GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants -Revenue Department - Sri D. Bapiraju, former Tahsildar, Bondapalli (M), Vizianagaram District (Retd) - Disciplinary proceedings initiated - Article of charges issued - Inquiry Officer appointed - Inquiry report submitted - Enquiry report communicated -Explanation received - Show cause notice issued- Further explanation received- APPSC concurrence obtained - Imposition of penalty of five percent (5%) cut in monthly pension for a period of five (5) years against him- Orders - Issued.

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REVENUE (VIGILANCE.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.165

Dated:11.03.2022
Read the following:-

1.From the CCLA, Lr.Ref.No.Vigilance/VSII(1)/857/2018, Dt:10.05.2021.
2.Memo.No.REV01-LANA0CCLV(DISC)/46/2021-Vig.III(2)-1, Dt:21/06/2021.
3.Explanation dated:04.08.2021 of Sri D.Bapiraju, Tahsildar (Retd), Vizianagaram District.
4.Govt.Memo.No.REV01-LANA0CCLV(DISC)/46/2021-Vig.III(2)-2, Dt:21/10/2021. 5.Explanation received from Sri D.Bapiraju, Tahsildar (Retd), Vizianagaram District, dt: 09.11.2021.
6.Govt.Lr.No.REV01-LANA0CCLV (DISC)/46/2021- Vig.III(2), dt:21.12.2021.
7.From the APPSC, Lr.No.15/DC&C/2022, dated:02.02.2022.

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ORDER:

Whereas, in the reference 1st read above, it was brought to the notice of the Government that the Collector, Vizianagaram has initiated departmental proceedings by framing the Article of charges against Sri D.Bapiraju, Tahsildar, Bondapalli (M) with regard to irregularities of incorporating the name of Sri Ch.Sudhakara Raju as enjoyer in enjoyment column in the web land adangal for an extent of Ac.33.00 cents in respect of Sy.Nos.484, 504, 488, 505, 167 and 170 of Devupalli Village of Bondapalli Mandal, basing on the report submitted by the Revenue Divisional Officer, Vizianagaram. Further, the CCLA vide his procdgs dt:22.01.2019 appointed Joint Collector-II, Vizianagaram District as Inquiry Officer for conduct of regular inquiry into the charges framed against Sri D.Bapiraju, Tahsildar, Bondapalli (M).

2. Accordingly, the Enquiry authority has submitted report dated:21.01.2020, stating that the charge is held proved. Further, the CCLA has stated that charged Officer Sri D.Bapiraju, Tahsildar, Bondapalli (M) was retired from service on 30.4.2021 and requested the Government to take further action against him (now retired) under rule 9(2) (b) (ii) of A.P, Revised pension Rules 1980.

3. Government have accepted the findings of the Inquiry Officer. Accordingly, a copy of the enquiry report has been communicated to the CO Sri D.Bapiraju, under rule 21 (2) of A.P.C.S (CC&A) Rules, 1991 with a direction to submit his representation, if any, on the findings of the Inquiry Officer, to the Government, vide reference 2nd read above. In the reference 3rd read above, the CO has submitted his explanation reiterating his earlier contentions and also requested to

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consider his explanation to drop charges framed against him and due to the pending of this case his pensionary benefits were not yet finalized due to which he is facing severe financial hardship.

4. After examination of the explanation of the Charged Officer, have provisionally decided to impose a penalty of "withholding of monthly pension of 5% for 5 years" against Sri D.Bapiraju, Tahsildar, Bondapalli (M), Vizianagaram, for the charges held proved, under Rule 9 of AP Revised Pension Rules,1980. Accordingly, he was directed to show cause as to why the proposed penalty of "withholding of monthly pension of 5% for 5 years" should not be imposed upon him for the irregularity committed, within a period of fifteen (15) days from the date of receipt of this show cause notice, vide reference 4th read above. In reply, in the reference 5th read above, the CO has submitted his further explanation to the SCN, reiterating his earlier contentions and requested to release his all pensionary benefits by dropping the proposed punishment against him.

5. Government, after examination of the explanation of the charged Officer, has decided to impose a punishment of "Five percent (5 %) cut in monthly pension for a period of Five (5) years" against the Charged Officer. Accordingly, in the reference 6th read above, the APPSC was requested to place the matter before the commission and obtain the concurrence to the proposal of the Government to impose said punishment.

6. In the reference 7th read above, the APPSC has agreed with proposals of the Government to impose a punishment of 5% (Five Percent) cut in monthly pension for a period of Five (5) years against Sri D.Bapiraju, Tahsildar, Bondapalli (M), Vizianagaram District(Retd) and advised accordingly.

7. Government after careful examination of the entire matter, have decided and hereby impose a penalty of "Five percent (5 %) cut in monthly pension for a period of Five (5) years" against Sri D.Bapiraju, Tahsildar, Bondapalli (M), Vizianagaram District(Retd).

8. The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Vijayawada shall take necessary in the matter, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

G. SAI PRASAD
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri D.Bapiraju, Tahsildar, Bondapalli (M), Vizianagaram District(Retd). through the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.

Copy to:
The Collector & District Magistrate, Vizianagaram.
The Secretary, APPSC., A.P., Vijayawada.
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SECTION OFFICER